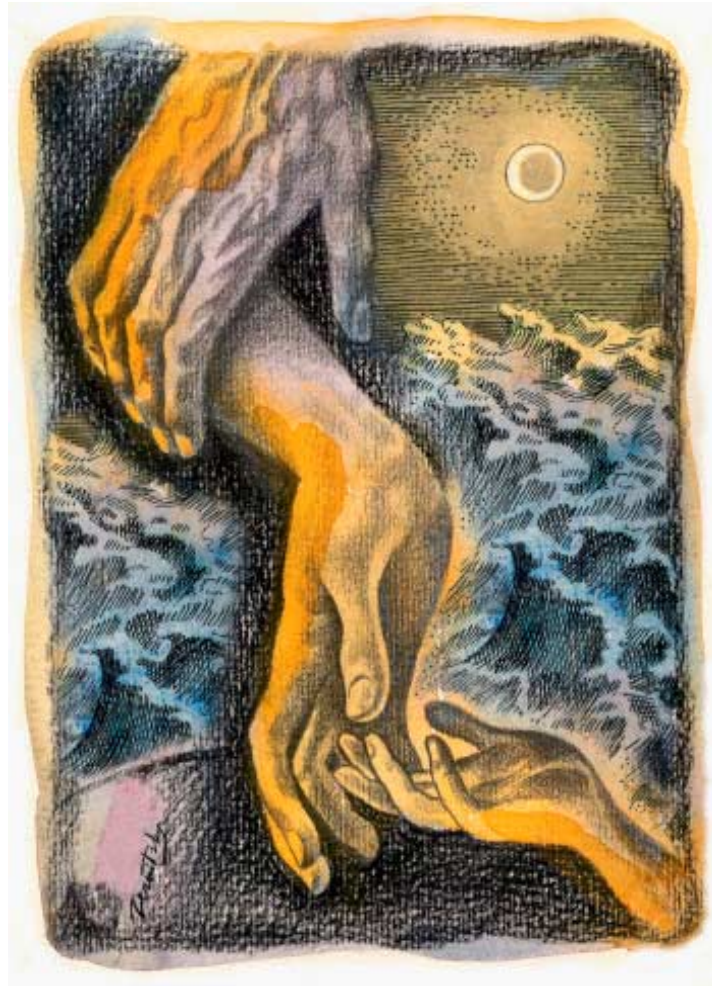


Westminster Sunday School



**Parents Guide
2008-2009**

Sunday School

Sunday school classes meet during the 11 am service. Families are invited to begin worship together. Children will be invited forward for “Time with Children.” After this time together, the pastor will dismiss them to their Sunday School classes which end at 12:15 pm.

Nursery and toddler care

8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Every Sunday there is infant and toddler care in the Little Lambs Room on the first floor of the Butzer Building, Room B9. This childcare is designed for children 3 years old and under. This is available every Sunday whether or not Sunday School is meeting.

Our childcare providers are in the Little Lambs Room from 8:30 am before the early service, during the adult programs (9:45-10:45 am) and through the 11 am service to 12:30 pm.

Pre-school Class

(3 to 5 year olds)

Chris LaMendola, “Mr. Chris” is our much loved lead teacher for this class. After their time in worship, Mr. Chris will bring the students to the Pooh Corner Room on the first floor of the Butzer building. Because children in this age group need the stability of one classroom and the same teacher each week, they are not part of the Workshop Rotation classes.

Parents are asked to meet their children after worship. To find their classroom, come to the nursery school building, turn left past the double door and follow on, around the corner to Room B4.



Chris LaMendola and Ella VanWart

Workshop Rotation Classes

(kindergarten to 5th grade classes)

This year Westminster has adopted the Workshop Rotation format for our kindergarteners through 5th graders. Each month the classes explore one Bible story in a different workshop. Classes rotate each Sunday through one of our multi-media workshops. There is an easel in the Holmes Room with the monthly schedule of the classes and the workshops.



Creation Station is the art workshop located in the Youth or ENERGY Room. In this workshop, children explore the Bible story through painting, sculpture and other art media.



Hollywood is our video workshop located in the Heritage Room. In this workshop, classes experience the monthly bible story through films.



PC Oasis is our workshop that meets in the computer lab between the Youth and Heritage rooms. This workshop features Bible story programs and games.



The **Apostles Playhouse** is the name of our drama workshop. This workshop is located on the stage of Parish Hall. Classes use drama to explore the monthly Bible story.



Middler Class

(6th & 7th graders)

Middler students have reached a stage of development where they are ready to move beyond learning weekly Bible stories. Over the next two years this class will use survey courses that focus on the chronology of the bible, biblical themes and church history. Teachers Dave Carstensen and Bert Kelley are experienced with working with this age group. This class meets in the first classroom at the bottom of the stairs in the Butzer building.

Confirmation Class

It's been a Westminster tradition to confirm 9th graders. This year the confirmation class has both 8th and 9th graders. Next year the confirmation class will consist of 8th graders.

This year's class has an enthusiastic team of teachers: Mark Aquino, Laurel Braun and Gwen Ito. This class meets in Room A12 in the basement of the Butzer building Sunday from 9:45 to 10:45 am.

Confirmands will take part in worship and working on mission projects through the year. Confirmation Sunday is Pentecost, May 31, 2009.

Senior Highs' Dialog Diner

(9th through 12 graders)

Have you ever wondered why you could smell the aroma of bacon on arriving at Westminster on Sunday mornings? That delicious smell was evidence of the Dialog Diner class. Each Sunday, senior high students meet in the Youth Room for breakfast and conversation.

This year Dialog Diner leaders include Chris Hough, Leslie Bardak, Paul Bardak and Youth Coordinator, Becca Ballard.



Youth Explorations

Parish Hall
9:45—10:45 am

Children's Mission Hour

The Children's Mission Hour is a program designed to introduce children, ages 5 to 12 years old to the mission of the Presbyterian Church both in this country and abroad. This groups meets in the Parish Hall from 9:45 to 10:45 am.

Each week the children will hear a story about the church's work around the world and learn of the mission work in presbyteries around our country. There will be special food from the country highlighted that Sunday, crafts and mission projects.